## c.) Amendments to the claims

- 1. (Currently Amended) A protein containing the amino acid sequence represented by Sequence No. 1 SEQ ID NO:1.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The protein described in Claim 1 containing the amino acid sequence represented by Sequence No. 2 SEQ ID NO:2.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A cDNA containing the base sequence represented by Sequence No. 3 SEQ ID NO:3.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The cDNA described in Claim 3 containing the base sequence represented by Sequence No. 4 SEQ ID NO:4.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The cDNA described in Claim 3 or Claim 4 which comprises the base sequence represented by Sequence No. 5 SEQ ID NO.5.